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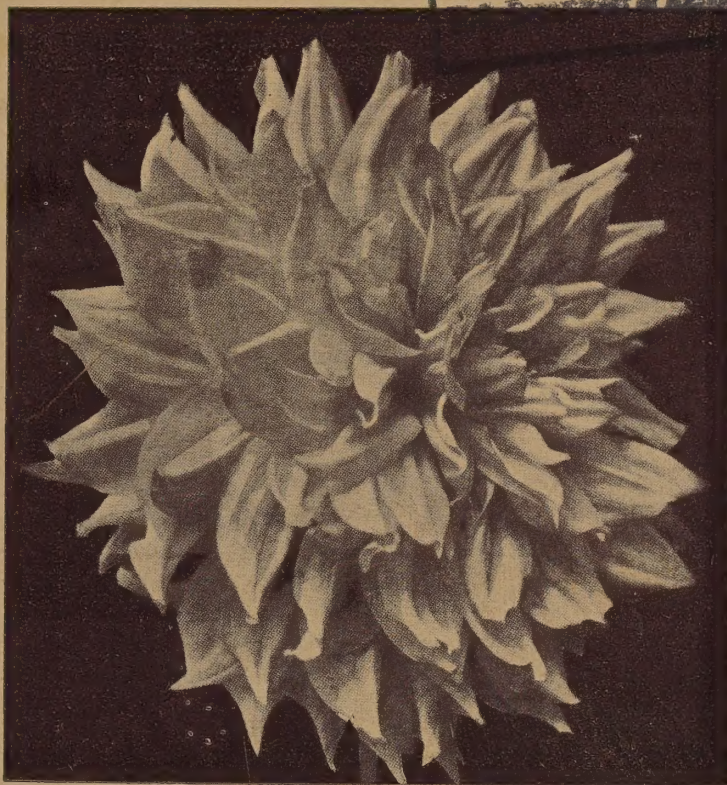
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Margaret Woodrow Wilson

These plates illustrate two of our recent
outstanding Decorative Dahlias.



W. D. Cartwright



Jane Cowl

To Our Customers and Friends

In publishing our 1929 Catalogue, we take this opportunity of expressing sincere thanks to our large circle of clients and friends, all over the Union and Rhodesia, for their liberal patronage during the past season, and especially for the many letters of appreciation received.

We cordially invite customers to visit our gardens and see the varieties in bloom before ordering same. The best season in which to see the dahlia in full flower is autumn — from February to the end of April. During these months they reach the zenith of their beauty and height of blooming. Visitors are welcome on any day of the week except Saturdays.

Our collection includes the best modern varieties (all stiff-stemmed) in gigantic decoratives, delicately petalled cactus, dainty miniature decorative and miniature pæony-flowered and graceful pompon types, also the showy single-flowered "Coltness Gem" variety, which is a brilliant scarlet in colour, and excellent for bedding purposes, as well as various colours in Coltness Gem types. We thus cater for all tastes.

Most of the older standard varieties which we consider indispensable to any collection of dahlias will be found in our list.

Without exception the Dahlia is one of the most easily-grown of all garden flowers, and possibly gives a bigger return for the time, labour, and cost expended on its culture than any other plant in cultivation. By planting tubers early and growing late-rooted cuttings, we have dahlias in bloom seven to eight months in the year.

We feel assured our new importations from America, England and the Continent, will give the same pleasure

and satisfaction as those of last year. These include the latest and best in every class from monster decoratives to the dwarf showy Coltness Gem types. Owing to the demand which was created last season for the smaller table blooms, we have made a point of adding a number of new varieties to the miniature and pompon classes.

It should be specially noted that we have raised a number of pot roots of most of our varieties this season. This will enable us to fill orders for Natal and other early districts in their due seasons.

OUR GUARANTEE.

We endeavour to send out all varieties true to name; however, should mistakes occur we will gladly rectify these on receipt of a bloom of miss-named variety, either in *Green Plants*, the same season, or in *Tubers* the next. Our aim is to give *every satisfaction*.

All tubers are sprouted before despatch in order to reduce the number of failures to a minimum. We pack the tubers so that they travel perfectly by **Agricultural Post**.

Customers are warned to look out for cut worms destroying the shoots just under the soil and thereby rendering the tubers blind.

TERMS.

A discount of **5 per cent.** is allowed for settlement within **30 days** of date of invoice, after which, accounts will be rendered strictly nett.

Orders from new or unknown clients must be accompanied by a Bank or other suitable reference, otherwise cash with order, or C.O.D.

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Tubers will be fit for delivery as soon as sprouted, during late September and October. Plants or rooted cuttings will be ready from November 15th onwards.

Successful Dahlia Culture.

SOIL TREATMENT and SPACING:—

The dahlia is a most accommodating subject, thriving on any soil, provided it has been deeply-dug, heavily manured and *well-drained*.

The following is the best soil treatment: dig over your dahlia site during late autumn, two spit deep, thoroughly pulverising the soil, then spread a dressing of lime to cover the surface and allow the dug soil and lime to lie fallow during winter. In early spring dig the holes for planting the dahlias, spacing them four feet apart for tall growers, three feet for medium growers, two and a half feet for the mignon and pompone varieties and eighteen inches apart for the "Coltness Gem". Holes should be two and a half feet deep and two feet wide; mix about a foot of manure with the bottom spit of soil and fill in. Use stable manure for heavy soils and cow manure for sandy, light soils. Plant tubers in the middle of holes, 6 inches deep, flat on their sides, with the growing eyes pointing upwards.

WATERING:—Water is a great essential to successful dahlia culture, for the dahlia is a moisture lover and should never be stinted for it. A plant in full growth will require at least a large bucketful of water daily, in dry, hot weather.

If plants become hard-wooded, due to early planting, and blooms are small, cut the plants back during January and February, and new growth will appear for Autumn bloom.

MULCHING:—Mulching is of great benefit, for the mulch not only helps to conserve moisture but keeps the soil cool. Loosen the soil around plants, then spread a two-inch mulch of half-decayed manure, old stable litter, dry grass or hedge-cuttings. Apply the mulch when plants have attained a foot in height. When the buds appear, a liberal dusting of bone meal may be forked into the ground round the plants. This will tend to increase the size of the blooms.

DISBUDDING:—For cut flower, disbudding is absolutely necessary, in order to attain the desired long stem and large bloom. In fact, **all** plants are the better for disbudding as it lengthens the blooming period of the plant. As with the sweet pea, the more blooms cut the more will the plants produce. Remove all buds as soon as they can be handled, leaving only the large terminal bud, and allow an 18 inch stem at least. Never allow blooms to fade on plants.

STAKING:—All plants should be staked, for they are very brittle, breaking easily under the least provocation. It is a good plan to plant the stakes at the same time that tubers are planted, growths can then be tied to them as they grow.

TREATMENT OF CUT BLOOM:—Dahlia blooms can be made to last from four to six days when cut, provided they are treated properly. The blooms are best cut during the late afternoon, the ends of the stems crushed and placed into a narrow jug containing an inch of **boiling** water. After five minutes they should be put into a deep bucket filled with **cold** water and left outside overnight. They may then be arranged in vases the following morning. A few crystals of washing soda added to the water will also help to make the blooms last. A tabloid of Asperin will be found to revive drooping blooms wonderfully!

FEEDING:—We have found the following top-dressing of manures of the greatest assistance in keeping plants healthy and blooms large. Apply early in February: Spread evenly to cover the surface of the soil around plants, about six inches from the stalks and rake in; the quantities given below are sufficient for feeding a dozen plants:—

1½ lbs. Raw Bone Meal.

5 lbs. finely powdered Sheep Manure.

6 lbs. Unleached Wood Ashes.

Latest Introductions of Decorative and Hybrid Cactus Dahlias.

D—Decorative.

C.—Cactus

H.C.—Hybrid Cactus.

Varieties marked with an * are of American Origin.

Owing to the stock of some of the newest varieties being limited we are obliged to book orders for these **SUBJECT TO BEING UNSOLD.**

***BARBARA REDFERN**—D., one of the largest new Americans. Colour an exquisite blend of old gold and old rose. The massive, yet perfectly graceful blooms are borne on stiff, rod-like stems. Vigorous grower and free-flowerer. Height 4 to 5 ft. *Green plants only; 7/6*

***BETTY IVENS**—one of the very best new American varieties. Blooms of the largest size borne on a remarkably strong stem; colour a rich salmon overlaid with an amber glow, showing a rosy pink reverse. Petals have that soft glistening gleam, as reflected in the texture of the rose. Height 4 to 5 ft.

Green plants only; 15/0

***CANBERRA**—D., a gorgeous deep crimson decorative of great size and perfect form; blooms being of exceptional depth and rounded in shape; petals are numerous and most of them curl propeller-shape, comprising a massive flower of intense beauty and grace, borne on hard erect stems. Plants robust and very free-flowering. Height 4½ ft. *10/6*

***CITY OF TRENTON**—D., a gorgeous new distinctive American of marvellous colouring composed of autumn shades; face of petals being a vivid tangerine, while the reverse is a crushed strawberry red; the numerous petals twist and curl, producing a two-toned effect and creating a flower of glowing intense beauty, held erectly on stems hard and cane-like, worthy of carrying so superb a bloom. Height 4 to 5 ft.

Green plants only; 15/0

***COLOR SERGEANT**—D., a striking new American decorative of perfect form and colour, being a deep, rich salmon bronze. Plants robust and of upright clean growth; stems tall, straight and perfect; blooms massive and yet graceful. Height 4 to 5 ft. *Green plants only; 15/0*

***EL GRANADA**—D., a large distinctive bloom of vivid orange; the petals twist and interlace, showing at the tips a yellow reverse, the long elegant stems are erect and grow well out of the foliage. One of the most beautiful Americans ever raised. Most free-flowering. Height 4 to 5 ft. *5/0*

***FAITH GARIBALDI**—D., one of the most outstanding Americans, of recent introduction. The immense bloom of great depth is of a lovely, rich silvery pink colour, borne on erect cane-like stems; plants robust and free-blooming. Blooms retain full centres to the end of the season. Height 4 to 5 ft. *Green plants only; 10/6*

***FORDHOOK RADIANCE**—D., an outstanding American decorative of exquisite colouring, being a bright peach-red suffused with metallic bronze, with a flushing of soft salmon on the outer petals and a suspicion of buff-orange on the inner petals. The massive blooms of perfect form are carried erectly on stems wiry and stiff. Height 4 to 5 ft. *Green plants only; 7/6*

***FORDHOOK VICTORY**—D., another huge American decorative of largest size, yet perfect graceful form. The attractive blooms are held erectly on hard, stiff stems. Colour, a glorious shade of rich Tyrian rose. Plants robust and free-flowering. Height 4 to 5 ft.

Green plants only; 7/6

***F.T.D.**—D., This grand American variety is a sport of the famous decorative "Trentonian" and named in honour of the "Florists Telegraph Delivery." The large glorious blooms are carried erectly on stems strong, tall and straight, and are of a rich, deep Tyrian rose. Blooms grow well above the foliage, which is of a glossy dark green. Plants strong-growing and free-blooming. Height 5 ft. *Green plants only; 10/6*

GRACE CURLING—D., one of the best of the new English decoratives. The massive bloom is composed of numerous broad petals bluntly tapering and artistically notched at the tips, which twist and curl, forming a graceful bloom of exquisite beauty, borne erectly on hard, stiff, slender stems. Colour pure white at base to half of florets, and flushing to lilac pink. Height 4½ ft. *Green plants only; 10/6*

***HARRY MAYER**—D., one of the finest Americans of recent introduction. The massive, yet graceful full blooms are borne on hard cane-like stems; colour, an exquisite silvery pink on face of petals, with a deep rose pink on reverse. Robust growth. Plants most free-blooming. Height 4 to 5 ft. *Green plants only; 15/0*

***JANE COWL**—D., one of the most outstanding of American 1928 Novelties. The deep massive blooms are composed of numerous twisted and curled petals of a glistening bronzy-buff and old gold colouring suffusing to a deeper shade at centre of bloom, reverse of petals a pale flesh colour, creating a bloom of warm, glowing shaggy loveliness, impossible to adequately describe. The exceptionally strong, hard, straight stems carry the giant blooms with perfect ease, gracefully erect. Plants strong and robust, of thick leathery foliage. Height 4 to 5 ft. *Green plants only; £1 1s. 0d.*

***JERSEY'S CLIMAX**—H.C., this variety is a real acquisition to the hybrid cactus class. Flowers very large and of an orange colour with a pink suffusion and pink reverse. Stems excellent and plants are vigorous growers. Height 4 to 5 ft. *Green plants only; 10/6*

***JERSEY'S EMPRESS**—H.C., the blooms of this variety are very large for the hybrid cactus class and of a beautiful irregular shape, and the colour is dark purplish crimson; strong, erect stems. Height 4 ft. *Green plants only; 7/6*

***JERSEY'S ELEGANCE**—D., this is one of the most exquisite of the famous Jerseys; the perfect medium-sized blooms are of a deep glowing salmon pink, borne on slender wiry dark stems. The dark bronzy-green foliage is most decorative. Height 4 to 5 ft. *7/6*

***JERSEY'S FIANCEE**—D., a beautiful Jersey of medium-large size, of pleasing colour, being a rich rose-pink, slightly flushed lilac; petals broad and pointed, the tip of each slightly gold-tipped. Stems erect and perfect. Height 4 to 5 ft. *7/6*

***JERSEY'S MASTERPIECE**—D., one of the latest and best Jerseys. A bold upstanding bloom of perfect form resembling somewhat the famous "Insulinde" in shape; colour, strawberry pink suffusing to gold at centre. A glowing massive yet perfectly graceful bloom borne on hard rod-like stems. Height 4 to 5 ft. *Green plants only; £1 1s. 0d.*

***JERSEY'S OLYMPUS**—D., one of the largest and most beautiful of the Jerseys. Blooms are globular in shape, borne on slender, hard, wiry stems; most free blooming. Colour, a wonderful combination of saffron Venetian and flesh pink shaded gold. Height 4 to 5 ft. *10/6*

***NATURE'S MASTERPIECE**—D., a grand American decorative well-named. The huge perfectly-shaped blooms are held boldly erect on cane-like tall stems. Colour, a unique blending of cinnamon, old rose and mulberry, with a metallic bronze suffusion, as well as a violet-shaded reflex; a bloom to be seen to be fully appreciated. Height 4 to 5 ft. *Green plants only; 10/6*

Supplementary List of New and Recent Dahlias

***ARISTOCRAT**—D., one of the best new Americans; this glorious bloom is borne erectly on tall, long stiff stems, requiring little disbudding; colour white, deeply suffused with bluish lavender. Plants robust and most free blooming. Height 5 to 6 ft.

Green plants only; 1/6

***ANSELMO**—D., an exceptionally large, deep, full and slightly irregular bloom of perfect shape, and exquisite colouring, being chamois suffused with autumn tints of dull old rose. Stems strong and cane-like, carrying the massive blooms regally erect. Foliage dark green and artistically cut. Plants of medium height and branching habit. Height 4 to 5 ft.

Green plants only; 1/6

***COL. CHAS. A. LINDBERGH**—H.C., the following is the Raiser's description of this outstanding hybrid cactus: "An extremely free bloomer for a flower of its size, stems rigid and straight, dark green foliage, and good habit of growth. Colour a beautiful rose 'du Barry' shade overlaid and suffused with old ivory shading off to pale gold at centre. Reverse of petals light carmine pink." Height 4 to 5 ft.

Green plants only; 15/0

***CALIFORNIA SUPERBA**—D., one of the largest and most beautiful of all pink American decoratives. The monstrous, yet perfectly graceful bloom, is composed of narrow florets of an exquisite shade of pink suffusing to white at the centre. Stem stiff and hard, holding the superb flower erectly. Height 4 to 5 ft.

Green plants only; 5/0

Crimson Velvet—D., a medium large bloom of exquisite colouring and perfect form, being a deep velvety crimson with darker veining. Reverse of petals a red purple veined white. A distinctive bloom borne on hard, erect wiry stems. Height 5 ft.

5/0

Fred Lau. A grand Dutch decorative of exquisite, perfect form and colouring, being a delicate coppery-rose with the reverse of petals shaded silvery-rose. Petals curled, forming a shaggy bloom of intense beauty. Height 4 ft.

Green plants only 1/6

Hail Columbia—D., medium-sized decorative of a delicate dark, lilac-rose colouring. The exquisite blooms are borne erectly on hard, wiry, long stems. Plants most free-blooming. Height 4 to 5 ft.

Green plants only; 2/6

***J. W. DAVIS**—D., a monstrous American decorative of great size and depth borne on a hard, erect, cane-like stem, of unique colouring, being a blending of two shades of rose-purple, wonderfully effective; the centre is of the deepest shade of rose-purple, gradually suffusing to a lighter tint. Plants strong and free blooming. Height 4 to 5 ft.

***JERSEY'S JEWEL**—D., one of the most beautiful Jerseys. The large perfect blooms composed of long, elegant petals of mallow pink, are borne on hard stiff stems. Height 4 to 5 ft.

5/0

***MISS CALIFORNIA**—D., a large American decorative well-described by the Raiser as "Oriental Fuchsia". The perfect shapely blooms are held erectly on hard, stiff, rod-like stems. Colour deep royal purple. Plants strong growing and free-blooming. Height 5 to 6 ft.

Green plants only; 1/6

Mrs. G. W. Hawley—D., a large bloom of rare beauty, borne on a perfect stem, composed of numerous florets, many of which are twisted, forming a flower of exceptional depth and artistic form. Colour pale yellow flushed pale carmine pink, petals distinctly edged yellow with a yellow base and veined deeper carmine. Height 4 to 5 ft.

Green plants 5/0

***PRINCESS—D.**, a lovely large American decorative. The massive deep, full shapely blooms are of a soft bronzy rose colouring borne on hard upright stems. Petals are long and narrow, twisting and curling, forming a bloom of shaggy loveliness. Prolific bloomer. Height 4 to 5 ft. *Green plants only; 10/6*

***PERELLA—D.**, a grand bright rose-pink American decorative shading to a lighter pink on the outer-petals, with the inner circle of petals suffusing to lavender. Petals are long, fairly flat and irregularly placed. The perfect, shapely blooms are carried erectly, well out of the foliage on stiff, hard stems. Plants robust and most free-blooming. Height 4 to 5 ft.

Green plants only; 10/6

***SANHICAN'S GOLD—D.**, one of the famous Sanhicans, aptly named, being a glorious golden colour; petals broad at the base, terminating in points, forming a bloom of great beauty, borne on stiff, wiry, tall stems. Foliage glossy dark green, excellent cut flower, profuse bloomer. Height 4 to 5 ft. *Green plants only, 7/6*

Sir E. Shackleton—D., a fine medium-large decorative of pure orange-scarlet colouring. The perfect blooms are held erectly on thin, wiry straight stems. Height 4 to 5 ft. *Green plants only; 2/6*

***THE VAGABOND—H.C.**, a glorious American hybrid-cactus of a deep bronzy rose colour bordering on red. The large, shaggy blooms are borne erectly on hard, stiff, straight stems. Plants robust and free bloomers. Height 4 to 5 ft. *Green plants only; 17/6*

***WONDERLAND—D.**, a large velvety-purple decorative, reverse of petals a light, rosy magenta. Petals twisted and curled, forming a shaggy bloom of great beauty borne on stiff, long stems. Height 4 to 5 ft. *2/6*

***ELSIE OLIVER—H.C.**, a monstrous American cactus of graceful, perfect form, borne erectly on hard, excellent stems. Lovely creamy-pink colouring, shading to cream in centre. Plants robust and free-blooming. Height 4 to 5 ft. *Green plants only; 5/0*

***NIKITA—D.**, a strikingly beautiful American decorative of unique colouring, almost impossible to describe, being a crimson with a reverse of pinkish tan and cream at centre; petals twist and turn in such a way as to mix and blend the colours in a charmingly bewildering fashion, forming a bloom of exceptional beauty. The huge flowers are held erectly on perfect stems. Height 4 to 5 ft. *Green plants only; 10/6*

***SANHICAN'S PEACH—D.**, an exquisite decorative of rare beauty; medium-large size and resembling the colouring of a ripe peach, with a true peach cheek glow. The

attractive, fluffy blooms are composed of oddly-twisted petals with staghorn tips. Stems straight and wiry; foliage intense dark green. Height 4 to 5 ft.

Green plants only; 10/6

SANHICAN'S NYMPH—D., a gorgeous decorative combining size, grace and beauty. The massive, solid, high-built bloom which never centres, is composed of regular quilled petals, carried erect on hard, cane-like stems. Colour a rich primrose yellow with the reverse of petals faintly suffused fawn-rose. Height 3 to 4 ft.

Green plants only; 10/6

New and Recent Introductions of Decorative Dahlias.

Varieties marked with an * are of American Origin.

***ALTAMONT—D.**, a grand rose-purple American. The bloom is large, averaging eight to ten inches in diameter, full decorative type, with long slightly curled petals, giving the individual blooms a most artistic finish. The flower is practically sun-proof. Plants very free-flowering. Height 6 ft. *5/0*

***AMUN RA—D.**, enormous blooms of a bright orange colour shaded yellow, petals broad and rounded. Robust grower, stems stiff and strong. Height 5 to 6 ft. *2/0*

Alfred Dyer—D., one of the most lovely pure whites of recent introduction; of perfect and distinct form; some petals are flat, while others reflex, composing a bloom large, deep and full, and of exceptional beauty. Stems tall and straight. Height 4 to 5 ft. *Green plants only; 5/0*

Arthur J. Cobb—D., one of the largest and best English decoratives. The huge perfectly-formed blooms are borne erectly on hard, stiff stems on dwarf plants; colour lilac, lightening at tips and deepening at centre. Height 3 ft. *Green plants only; 5/0*

***BEAU BRUMMEL—D.**, an all round perfect dahlia of rare colouring, being a pure royal purple which does not burn. Large flowers borne on erect stems. Height 4 to 5 ft. *Green plants only; 5/0*

BERENGARIA—D., one of the largest dahlias ever raised. Blooms often measure 11 inches in diameter but are not coarse in any way. Colour gold shaded orange; stem perfect. The petals are very numerous, medium in width, fimbriated at points and slightly twisted, the whole forming a bloom of exceptional depth, size and beauty. Height 3 to 4 ft. *2/6*

***BASHFUL GIANT—D.**, one of the largest dahlias grown; colour apricot with golden shadings; stems not quite erect. Height 4 to 5 ft. *2/6*

Bordeaux—D., large dark wine-red blooms of perfect shape, borne on rigid, tall stems. A dahlia of distinction. Height 4 to 5 ft. *2/6*

***CASPAR G. WARE**—D., a fine decorative of a bright silvery violet rose, blooms large and graceful, borne on stiff stems. Plants dwarf and branching; require hard budding; excellent cut flower. Height 3 to 4 ft. **7/6**

***CHAMPAGNE**—D., another huge American of glorious colouring, being a golden champagne with chamois shadings. Blooms are large and of perfect form, borne on stiff, graceful hard stems, in great profusion. Height 4 to 5 ft. **3/6**

***CIGARETTE**—D., a lovely decorative of medium size; the attractive flower is carried erectly on slender, stiff stems. Colour cream tipped orange. Height 4 to 5 ft. *Green plants only; 2/6*

Couronne d'Or—D., blooms very large and perfectly formed; a beautiful shade of golden orange. Stems straight and stiff. One of the best Dutch varieties. Height 5 to 6 ft. **2/0**

Beatrice Grimsditch—D., an exquisite bloom of largest size, a soft creamy yellow at centre, flushing to palest pink and borne on hard, stiff stems. The perfect flower is full to the centre and composed of curly twisted petals; strong plants and most free-flowering. Height 4 to 5 ft. **5/0**

Daily Mirror—D., one of the largest decoratives in cultivation; the immense blooms are carried proudly and erect on stems stiff as a rod; the petals are broad at the base, coming to a blunt point, forming a flower of great beauty, of a pale lilac self colour, suffused rosy purple, nearly white at the centre. Height 5 to 6 ft. **3/6**

Don Williams—D., a fine decorative of medium-large size, the full blooms are borne erectly on stiff, hard stems. Colour a purplish violet, each wide, rounded petal being distinctly white-tipped. An unusual and beautiful variety. Plants very strong growing and free-blooming. Height 3 to 4 ft. **2/0**

Dr. Graf von Schwerin—D., medium-sized flower, creamy white, exquisitely suffused soft lilac. Erect stems and free blooming. Height 4 to 5 ft. **2/0**

De Schelde—D., large blackish crimson flowers borne on erect stems. Height 4 to 5 ft. *Green plants only; 2/6*

***EARL WILLIAMS**—D., a large bloom, deep and full, of perfect shape, most striking bi-colour ever raised, being a brilliant scarlet, white-tipped, borne on strong stiff stems. Height 4 to 5 ft. **2/6**

***EASTERN STAR**—D., one of the best decoratives, bearing its deep, full blooms on stiff, cane-like stems; colour soft saffron-yellow, suffusing to buff and old gold. Centres perfect and full. Excellent cut flower. Height 5 ft. **2/6**

***EL CAMINO REAL**—D., a large flower of rich wine red carried erectly on hard, cane-like stems. Height 4 to 5 ft. *Green plants only 5/0*

***ELITE GLORY**—D., gigantic bloom of a brilliant rich glowing red, outstanding amongst distinctive Americans; though massive, deep and full, this huge bloom is borne on a rod-like, hard, stiff stem, without a trace of heaviness. For spectacular effect either for garden or exhibition purposes it stands supreme, its lasting qualities as a cut-flower are unsurpassed. Height 4 to 5 ft. **10/6**

***ELINOR VANDEVEER**—D., an exquisite bloom of large size, being deep and full, of a brilliant satin-like rose-pink colouring borne on erect, cane-like stems, well above the foliage. An early and profuse bloomer. Height 6 ft. **2/6**

Emma Groot—D., one of the best decoratives ever raised, petals are broad; blooms large and of perfect shape. Colour deep slaty mauve; stems long and very wiry. Height 5 to 6 ft. **2/0**

***GLADYS PEACOCK**—D., a fine bloom borne on stiff, hard stems; colour, lemon yellow at base of florets shading to scarlet. Plant a strong grower and prolific bloomer. Centre of bloom high and full. Height 5 ft. **2/6**

Giant Ideal—D., medium-sized, perfectly shaped flower composed of broad pointed petals. Colour redish-lilac with white centre. Stems perfect. Height 4 ft. **2/6**

***GIANT RUBY**—D., a gorgeous showy American, being a brilliant scarlet in colour, standing the hottest sun without burning. The perfectly shaped blooms, deep and full, are held gracefully erect on stems stiff, hard and tall. Height 5 to 6 ft. 2/0

***GLORY OF MONMOUTH**—D., one of the best American decoratives yet introduced. It is a new colour combination in dahlias, being an erosine pink shading to strawberry pink at centre of petals; the perfect blooms are borne on long, wiry, strong stems in great profusion, taking about 10 days to open fully, and measure from 6 to 8 inches in diameter, and well over 4 inches in depth. Plants semi-dwarf in habit (about 3 to 4 ft.), wide-spreading and strong. Height 3 ft. 1/6

Goldmine—D., a lovely English decorative of a maize-yellow, golden colouring; the perfect blooms are composed of numerous florets, which are broad at the centre and pointed at the tips, borne on stiff, hard, erect stems. Height 4 to 5 ft. 2/6
Green plants only;

Golden Ophelia—D., a large golden-yellow bloom deep and full, of perfect form; borne on hard, erect stems. One of the very best in this colour. Height 4 ft. 2/6

***GRENADIER**—D., A large striking dahlia of unique colouring. The deep, full blooms are borne on stiff, wiry stems, composed of quilled petals of a deep maroon colour; the reverse being of a pale silvery tinting. Height 5 to 6 ft. 5/0
Green plants only;

***HALVELLA**—D., a beautiful rose-pink American with a golden sheen resembling the famous "Jersey's Beauty" in colour; the bloom is more shapely than the latter, however, being fuller and deeper, and petals narrower. The massive blooms are borne on stiff, hard, erect stems. Height 4 to 5 ft. 2/6

Hera—D., this variety is a robust grower bearing its huge blooms well above the foliage on stout stems. The colour is a striking rosy mauve and this variety is one of the best, both as a cut flower and for garden decoration. An outstanding variety. Height 5 to 6 ft. 2/6

***HIS MAJESTY**—D., one of the most beautiful amongst recent American introductions. The perfect, shaggy blooms are of a bright crimson-scarlet colouring, borne on hard, wiry erect stems. Plants robust and most floriferous. Height 4 to 5 ft. 2/6

***JERSEY'S BEAUTY**—D., this American variety is one of the best pink decorative dahlias we have ever grown. The blooms are large and of perfect form, borne on long, stiff, straight stems. The colour is salmon-rose suffused cherry. This is undoubtedly one of the most beautiful dahlias in cultivation. Height 5 to 6 ft. 2/6

***JERSEY'S BEACON**—D., one of the largest and most spectacular American decoratives, being a brilliant Chinese scarlet with a buff reflex. The massive, globular-shaped blooms are borne gracefully erect on stems hard, straight and stiff as a rod. Height 4 ft. 5/0

***JERSEY'S GEM**—D., a grand Jersey aptly named, the perfect medium-sized blooms are borne erectly on stems stiff as a rod. Colour a superb lavender pink. Height 5 ft. 1/6

***JERSEY'S IDEAL**—D., large, deep very full lavender-coloured blooms borne on hard, wiry stems. Plants robust and free blooming. Height 3 to 4 ft. 1/6

***JERSEY'S MAMMOTH**—D., a monster decorative recommended to those requiring size. Colour a rich golden mahogany; stems hard. Height 5 ft. 5/0
Green plants only;

J. L. CROWTHER—D., a large decorative of exquisite colouring and perfect form, being a warm buff apricot pink suffused. The lovely blooms are held gracefully erect on stems wiry and slender; an outstanding variety. Height 5 ft. 3/6

JOSEPHINE ADAIR—D., a medium-large decorative of fine form. The deep, rich yellow blooms are carried erectly on tall, wiry stems. Plants dwarf, robust and free-flowering. Height 3 ft. 2/6

***KITTY DUNLAP**—D., A grand decorative of an unusual shade of rosy-mauve colouring. The large blooms of perfect form are held erectly on long, graceful, rigid stems. Plants strong growing and free-flowering. Height 4 ft. 2/6

Leslie Hancock—D., this variety blooms very freely, bearing huge, well-shaped blooms of a deep crimson colour. Stems are hard, upright and rigid. One of the best dahlias in this colouring, 2/6

***LEO NIESSEN**—D., A deep, full, perfect American decorative of a brilliant cardinal red glistening with a golden sheen. The large blooms are carried upright on hard, stiff, cane-like stems. Plants robust and free-flowering. Height 4 to 5 ft. 2/6

***LOTUS**—D., a glorious American decorative; the following is the Raiser's description, which cannot be improved upon: "Lotus is a favourite with us, and we can recommend it highly as a cut flower. The colour is a luminous flame, or a lively orange, intensified with a metallic lustre. Stem long and straight. The bloom is large and of the new shape described as water-lily. Height 4 ft." *Green plants only; 5/0*

Leviathan—D., one of the best 1928 English Novelties. A true monster decorative composed of exceptionally large petals which are broad and cup-shaped, resembling a water-lily, of a brilliant orange colour. The giant blooms are carried erectly on stiff, hard stems. Height 4 to 5 ft. *Green plants only; 7/6*

Ludwig Thoma—D., a magnificent decorative of vivid scarlet, resembling a huge disbudded Chrysanthemum; borne on stiff, rigid stems. Plants robust and free-blooming. Height 4 to 5 ft. *Green plants only; 2/6*

Macdonald—D., this brilliant, fiery scarlet decorative hails from Holland, the blooms of perfect form are produced on straight, stiff stems. A grand variety, practically sunproof, and a splendid cut flower. Height 4 to 5 ft. 2/0

***MARGARET MASSON**—D., one of the best American decorative ever raised. The gigantic blooms are of great depth and size, borne erectly on stiff, strong stems; colour an exquisite silvery mauve-pink. Plants are strong growers and free-bloomers. Excellent exhibition variety owing to its good keeping qualities. Height 4 to 5 ft. 7/6

***MARGARET WOODROW WILSON**—D., a grand American decorative of the largest size and of great beauty. The following is the Raiser's description: "It is an exhibition type of large size and great beauty. Colour is opalescent-pink. Face of petals creamy white, reverse phlox-pink. Petals are broad and well placed, terminating in points, making a flower of exceptional depth. Strong upright stems; dark green foliage." Height 4 to 5 ft. 7/6

***MARJORIE HENNESSEY**—D., an American decorative of rare beauty. The perfect monster blooms are held erectly on strong, hard, long stems, well above the foliage. The colour is a rich amber heavily suffused rose. Plants tall-growing, robust and most free-blooming. Height 6 ft. *Green plants only; 5/0*

***MARMION**—D., a grand American of great size and depth, being a pure golden yellow colour with a bronze suffusion on reverse of florets which are long and curly, forming a bloom of great beauty and grace. Stems hard and strong. Height 4 to 5 ft. *Green plants only; 5/0*

***MABEL LAWRENCE**—D., an outstanding English decorative of enormous size, carried erectly on hard, rod-like stems. The gorgeous blooms are of perfect form and circular in outline, of a deep glowing crimson-scarlet colour throughout. The florets are broad at base, tapering to blunt points and twisting, forming a bloom of beautiful shape. Height 4 ft. *Green plants only; 5/0*

Mev. E. Ludwig—D., this perfect large bloom of a glossy, velvety crimson in colour is borne on a slender, stiff stem. A grand Dutch variety. Vigorous grower and free bloomer. Height 4 to 5 ft. 2/6

***MRS. ELEANOR MARTIN**—D., a dahlia of exceptional colouring and great beauty, being well-described as "Mulberry." Blooms are of perfect form, borne on erect, hard stems, florets are peculiarly rose-shaded with a reverse of violet. Most floriferous. This variety has proved to be one of the largest and most satisfactory of the American varieties imported last season. Height 4 to 5 ft. 7/6

Miss Edith Cavell—D., a fine medium to large decorative of perfect form, colour beautiful salmon-pink. Stems stiff, hard and straight. Strong grower and prolific bloomer. Height 4 ft. 2/6

Madame Emile Draps—D., a medium sized variety borne on excellent stems. Colour cherry red. Height 4 to 5 ft. 2/0

***MRS. JOHN SCHEEPERS**—D., a grand decorative of large size, borne on long, rigid, excellent stems. Colour of the centre florets is lemon yellow while the older outside petals become a beautiful salmon pink, making a beautiful effect. Plants strong-growing and free-flowering. Height 4 to 5 ft. 5/0

Mrs. Courtney Page—D., a fine medium-large decorative of exquisite colouring, being a creamy-rose shaded salmon. The perfect blooms are held erectly on slender wire-like stems. Plants robust, and free-flowering. Height 4 ft. 2/6

***MEPHISTOPHELES**—D., an exceptionally fine decorative of largest size and richest colouring, being a clear ruby-red lightly tipped gold at tips of petals; the massive perfectly-shaped blooms are held erectly on stems hard, wiry and tall; a grand laster as a cut flower. Height 4 to 5 ft. Green plants only; 5/0

***MONMOUTH BEAUTY**—D., this glorious American decorative is a seedling of the famous "Amun Ra." The truly gigantic blooms are deep and full, and of a rich salmon-orange colouring covered with a lustrous, metallic golden sheen, carried perfectly erect on stems tall, stiff and strong. Height 6 to 7 ft. 7/6

***MORDELLA**—D., an American decorative of perfect form and great beauty, borne on hard, erect, strong stems. Colour an exquisite blending of autumn shades, apricot and buff. Height 4 to 5 ft. 5/0

NORAH PHILLIPS—D., one of the finest English novelties of a brilliant orange scarlet colour, standing the hottest sun without burning. The large, perfect blooms are held erectly on hard, wiry, rigid stems. Height 4½ feet. Green plants only; 5/0

***MR. CROWLEY**—D., a beautiful American decorative of large size and perfect form and depth. The exquisite blooms borne on hard, erect, long stems, are of a luminous shade of salmon-pink with petals shading to yellow at the base; one of the most beautiful dahlias in our collection; must be disbudded hard for long stems. Height 3 to 4 ft. 2/6

Pax—D., a very beautiful flower with loose and artistic petals on a strong stem. The colour is an apricot-orange; one of the most beautiful varieties. Height 4 to 5 ft. 2/0

Poinsettia—D., a large bloom of brilliant colouring and perfect form; petals long, twisted and pointed, forming a deep, full bloom of exceptional beauty, borne perfectly erect on stiff, hard, straight stems. Poinsettia, scarlet coloured. Height 4 to 5 ft. 2/6

***PRIDE OF SAN FRANCISCO**—D., a clear salmon pink, with perfect stems, free bloomer and an excellent cut flower. Height 3 to 4 ft. 2/6

***QUEEN OF THE GARDEN BEAUTIFUL**—D., a very large primrose bloom with a strong, erect stem. This is the largest and finest primrose we have ever grown. Very free flowering. Height 4 to 5 ft. 7/6

Red Emperor—D., a glorious scarlet decorative bearing its brilliant blooms of perfect form on stiff, hard, erect stems high above the foliage. The petals are narrow, long and very numerous, and turn backwards so as to form a huge scarlet ball. Height 4 to 5 ft. 2/6

***REINZI**—D., a gorgeous American decorative of largest size and unique colouring, being a bright scarlet with a golden reverse. The immense blooms are held erectly on long, stiff stems. Plants fairly dwarf, robust and most free-blooming. Height 3 to 4 ft.

Green plants only; 5/0

Rose Gem—D., a lovely medium-large decorative of a glowing shade of dark rose; the perfect blooms are held erectly on stems rigid and tall. Plants strong growing and free-flowering. Height 4 to 5 ft. **2/6**

Renown—D., colour deep purplish maroon. Blooms have florets bluntly pointed; semi-cactus type and very numerous; as the flowers mature the older florets reflex. Height 4½ ft. **5/0**

Rev. Herbert Lee—D., a fine decorative carried on a tall stem perfectly erect. Blooms are of a regular shape, and the colour is a very dark rich carmine. Height 4 to 5 ft. **2/6**

***ROSA NELL**—D., a grand decorative of a rare colouring in dahlias, being a clear, bright rose; the large blooms often measure 10 inch in diameter, are of fine form and borne on stiff, hard, erect stems, well above the foliage. This variety is one of the best in this colour, as it does not burn. Height 4 to 5 ft. **2/6**

***ROBERT TREAT**—D., a huge American decorative of great depth and beauty; colour similar to the American "Beauty Rose." Blooms measure 9 to 10 inches in diameter and 4 inches in depth; most exceptional in colouring and size. Stems straight, tall, and stiff. Plants vigorous growers and very free-bloomers. Height 4 to 5 ft. **2/6**

***ROMAN EAGLE**—D., one of the large American decoratives; the massive blooms are produced on long, stiff, strong stems, being a brilliant burnished copper in colour. Plants are particularly healthy and free-blooming. Height 4 to 5 ft. **5/0**

***RODMAN WANNEMAKER**—D.P., a decorative pæony-flowered dahlia of the large size with striking colour combination. Buds are a lemon yellow; petals same shade at the base, gradually developing into a golden, bronzy-salmon-pink, and finally into a delightful shade of ochraceous-salmon, with a reflex of orange-pink, giving a distinct two colour effect as the centre remains yellow. Height 4 to 5 ft. **7/6**

***ROBERT SCOTT**—D., a large decorative of exquisite colouring, being an apricot yellow shaded rose. Stems exceptionally long, slender and stiff, carrying the perfect bloom with grace. Profuse bloomer; needs light dis-budding only. Height 4 to 5 ft. **5/0**

***SANHICAN'S MONARCH**—D., another very large American decorative; colour a deep, Tyrian-rose at base of petals, shading to a lighter tone towards the tips; carried perfectly erect on black, strong stems. Very free blooming. Height 4 to 5 ft. **5/0**

***SANHICAN'S GEM**—D. The medium blooms of perfect form are of the true "Salmonea" type, and are held erectly on strong and straight stems. Colour an exquisite clear old rose shade, amber suffused. A most beautiful dahlia and very free. Height 4 ft. **3/6**

***SANHICAN RUBY**—D., a Sanhican decorative of large size and depth. The pointed, fluffy petals are very numerous and thickly spaced, forming a bloom of loose and artistic form. The colour is a glowing deep shade of ruby red bronze suffused. Quite sunproof. Free bloomer and strong grower. Should be disbudded hard. Height 5 to 6 ft. **5/0**

Shiela Ward—D., one of the most beautiful dahlias ever raised. An immense flower, yet, without a trace of heaviness, borne on stiff, strong stems. Colour a clear pale-yellow, with each petal distinctly white-tipped and shaped broad at the base, tapering towards the tips, which are delicately twisted and curled, forming a bloom of great beauty. Height 5 to 6 ft. **2/6**

***SHUDOW'S LAVENDER**—D., one of the best and most popular of large American decoratives. The monster, yet perfectly graceful blooms, are held rigidly erect on stems cane-like, stiff and tall. Colour, a silvery lavender shading to white. Plants tall and most floriferous; foliage dark green and lace-like. Excellent cut flower. Height 5 to 6 ft. *Green plants only; 5/0*

***SANHICAN'S DELICE**—D., an exquisite staghorn-petalled decorative of great depth; of a true deep pink colour with a rich salmon glow in the centre. The perfect bloom is carried erectly on stems hard, tall and rigid. Unsurpassed for cut flower purposes. Plants robust and free-flowering. Height 4 to 5 feet.

Green plants only; 7/6

***SANHICAN'S MAGNATE**—D., a monster American decorative held erectly on hard, cane-like stems. Colour pale Amaranth pink, face of petals tinged mauve with the reverse claret coloured, and heavily veined. Plants medium growers; very robust and free-flowering. Height 3 ft. *7/6*

***SAGAMORE**—D., a large decorative of perfect form carried on hard, rigid stems, and most free flowering; of a rich gold colouring, shading to buff at the centre. Plants robust. Height 4 to 5 ft. *2/6*

***SALBACH'S WHITE**—D., one of the best pure white decoratives. The large, shapely blooms of the whitest purity are carried erectly on stems stiff and tall. Plants robust and most free-flowering. Height 4 to 5 ft.

Green plants only. 5/0

TITAN—D., another seedling from the famous decorative "Berengaria." The giant blooms are of perfect form, and carried erectly with ease and grace on stems hard, stiff and strong; colour, uniform crimson; petals broad at the base, but twisting bluntly to a point. Plants dwarf and remarkably free-blooming. Height 3 ft.

Green plants only; 5/0

Thomas Hay, V.M.H.—D., one of the finest and largest English decoratives. The large blooms are composed of broad, pointed loosely-placed florets, forming a full, massive bloom of great depth, of a clear lilac colour. Stems stiff, hard and straight. Height 4 ft. *5/0*

***THE GRIZZLY**—D., a huge, deep rich crimson decorative of perfect shape, held erectly on strong, straight stems. Excellent for cut flower and exhibition purposes. Height 4 to 5 ft. *Green plants only 2/6*

***TRENTONIAN**—D., a large American decorative. The perfect shapely blooms of great depth and size are held regally erect on stems stout, hard and cane-like. The colour is a rich blending of old gold, amber and coppery bronze shades, the centre being a reddish bronze. The petals are broad and pointed and loosely placed. Height 4 to 5 ft. *5/0*

Turenne—D., a medium-large bloom of an intense copper colouring carried on slender, long wiry stems. Plants dwarf, robust and most free-flowering. Height 2½ ft. *2/6*

Walhall—D., a striking dahlia of a glowing bronzy colour with a yellow centre; petals twisted and pointed, forming a large, graceful flower; stems grand. Height 4 to 5 ft. *2/6*

***WIZARD OF OZ**—D., a grand American decorative of largest size, colour exquisite salmon-rose shading to amber at centre. The perfect, massive blooms are held erectly on hard, cane-like stems. Plants strong-growing and free-blooming. Height 4 to 5 ft. *Green plants only; 5/0*

White Friar—D., a lovely decorative of the purest white and of perfect form. Stems hard and upright. Excellent cut flower. Height 4 to 5 ft. *2/6*

WHITE KING—D., a medium-sized decorative of the whitest purity, borne on hard, cane-like stems. The petals are broad at base tapering narrow to the points, forming a beautiful flower. Stems strong and erect. Height 4 ft. *2/6*

***W. D. CARTWRIGHT**—D., this seedling of the famous "Beren-garia" is one of the best we have ever grown. The broad, twisted, curled and reflexed petals form a bloom of loose, artistic, perfect form, of unusual depth and breadth, being a deep orange colour at centre of bloom, shading to a rich orange yellow at tips of the perfect petals, the whole glistening with a golden sheen in the

sunlight. The massive, graceful blooms are borne erect-ly on stiff, straight, perfect stems. Height 4 to 5 ft.

5/0

***ZANTE**—D., a gorgeous monster American decorative of perfect form. The graceful blooms are held erectly on hard, stiff stems, high above the foliage. Colour a glowing deep gold. Plants robust and most floriferous. Height 4 to 5 ft.

Green plants only; 5/0

General List of Decorative Dahlias.

18/- per dozen. OUR SELECTION 15/- per dozen.

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Adler—D., the largest pure white dahlia. Immense blooms borne on long stiff stems. Florets broad and crinkled. Height 3 to 4 feet.

Augustinius—D., a wonderful colour combination of lilac, rose and yellow; large blooms on long, strong stems. Height 4 to 5 ft.

Amarantha—D., a fine dark cherry-red bloom of medium size, borne on stiff, hard stems; grand cut flower. Height 4 to 5 ft.

Ben Lomond—D., a beautiful violet-shaded decorative of medium size and perfect form. Blooms borne on hard, slender, erect stems, excellent for cut flower purposes. Plants vigorous and free-blooming. Height 3 to 4 ft.

Charm—D., medium-sized bloom of fine form; stems and foliage dark bronze; most decorative colour, a combination of orange shading to yellow.

Height 4 to 5 ft.

Cheal's Yellow—D., a medium-sized decorative of rich, butter-cup yellow colouring. The lovely blooms are borne in profusion on erect, straight stems. Plants vigorous, unsurpassed for bedding purposes; very free blooming. Height 3 to 4 ft.

Dempsey—D., excellent form and strong stems; size medium; colour a pleasing purple, very free. Height 4 ft.

Dream—D., conspicuous shade of salmon; perfect blooms on long, wiry stems. Height 4 to 5 ft.

Dr. Tevis—D., a beautiful shade of soft salmon-rose, suffused with old gold, shading to a golden apricot in centre; one of the largest dahlias. Height 5 to 6 ft.

Erica—D., a medium-sized decorative of fine form, borne on slender, wiry stems. Colour deep mauve. Plants strong-growing and free-blooming. Height 4 to 5 ft.

Early Beauty—D., medium-sized flower, colouring vivid pink, lilac shaded, florets artistically twisted, forming a bloom of great beauty, excellent as a cut flower for house and table decoration. Height 4 feet.

Fire Flare—D., colour brilliant vermilion scarlet; blooms shaped like a broad-petalled cactus. Stems long and rigid. Well named. Height 3 to 4 ft.

Frances Lobdell—D., this lovely, medium-sized bloom is composed of loosely-placed petals which twist and curl, forming a bloom of great beauty; colour, mallow pink shading to white at centre. Stem straight, slender and stiff. Height 3 to 4 ft.

Futurity—D., a beautiful, medium-sized decorative carried on erect, slender stems. Colour pink, salmon and yellow suffused. Height 4 to 5 ft.

Glory of Aalsmeer—D., blooms are pure white, perfect form, long and sturdy stems. Height 4 to 5 ft.

Glory of Lisse—D., beautiful orange, shaded dark brown; medium bloom of great beauty and outstanding colour, borne on stiff straight stems. Height 5 ft.

Glory of Nijkerk—D., deep royal purple; very large, outstanding variety with rigid stems. Height 5 to 6 ft.

Hanny Van Waveren—D., delicate deep mauve pink, well-formed flowers on long, elegant stems. Height 4 to 5 ft.

Insulinde—D., one of the most beautiful dahlias ever raised; golden-buff shaded bronze; the florets are twirled, making a lovely shape and are shaded golden-rose on reverse; very large blooms on strong, wiry stems. Height 4 to 5 ft.

Ivory—D., pure white on strong stems; lovely shape of bloom. Height 4 ft.

Jersey's King—D., a fine decorative belonging to the popular "Jersey's" bearing its medium-sized broad-petalled, shapely blooms on stems erect, tall and strong; colour an exquisite begonia-rose. Height 4 to 5 ft.

Jersey's Emperor—D., a fine wine-red Jersey of medium size, borne on a stiff, hard stem. Plants robust and most free-flowering. Height 3 to 4 ft.

Jonkheer Boreel Van Hogelanden—D., a medium-sized decorative of fine form and perfect stem. Colour, glowing apricot and terracotta. Height 4 to 5 ft.

Jo Ballego—D., medium-sized flower of excellent form, borne on stiff, hard, slender stems; colour rich golden-yellow; fine cut flower. Height 5 to 6 ft.

Judge A. B. Parker—D., a very large globular bloom of perfect form; colour yellowish-tan; plants vigorous and prolific. Height 4 to 5 ft.

Judge Marean—D., a large American decorative of striking colouring, being a blending of yellow, gold and orange, suffused pink and edged red. Robust grower; very free flowering. Height 3 to 4 ft.

King George—D., glowing burnt amber, with golden brown shade; long, stout stems; free flowering. Height 5 to 6 ft.

King Harold—D., deep velvety-crimson, rather loose in form, but attractive; strong stems. Height 4 to 5 ft.

Lady Derby—D., an exquisite medium-sized decorative of a rose-lilac colouring. Blooms composed of loose, slender pointed petals; held erectly on stiff, slender stems. Height 3 to 4 ft.

La France—D., centre old gold shading to bright cerise at the points of the florets; blooms very beautiful and full, on strong stems. Height 2 to 2½ ft.

Locarno—D., a grand variety of rich apricot colouring, shaded old gold, blooms of perfect form, borne on erect, tall, slender stems. Plants strong-growing and very free-flowering. Height 4 to 5 ft.

La Grosse Bete—D., the enormous blooms of this superb American decorative are borne on stiff, erect, strong stems, being of a dark cerise in colouring, most exceptional. A strong grower with excellent lasting qualities, both in the garden and for exhibition purposes. Height 4 ft.

Menny Carlee—D., a fine white decorative borne on stems as strong as a cane. Height 4 to 5 ft.

Mov. Dix—D., deep salmon, regular well-formed blooms borne on long, stiff stems. Height 4 to 5 ft.

- Mevrouw Wurfbain**—D., deep velvety-purple with mahogany-brown shade; twirled florets, very large, with excellent stems; one of the most striking dahlias.
Height 4 to 5 ft.
- Mrs. A. R. Mountain**—D., this medium-large English decorative should be in every collection. Colour, an exquisite shade of pink, flushed with silver. The shapely bloom is held on an erect, straight, wiry stem. Plants of excellent habit and most floriferous. Height 4 to 5 ft.
- Mr. D. A. Van Eyk**—D., a grand decorative of excellent form, the large, beautiful blooms are borne on stiff, wiry stems. Colour terracotta, lilac shaded. Very free-flowering. Height 4 to 5 ft.
- Mrs. David Luscombe**—D., brilliant crimson scarlet decorative of medium size and fine form. Blooms borne erect on stiff, slender, wiry stems. Vigorous grower and free-bloomer. Excellent for massing for colour effect. Height 4 to 5 ft.
- Mrs. David Hepburn**—D., a fine brilliant crimson decorative of medium size; blooms of perfect form are borne well above the foliage on hard, wiry, slender stems, in great profusion. Height 4 to 5 ft.
- Mr. H. C. Dresselhuys**—D., rosy-pink shading to blush, long stems, very free; one of the best pinks; fine cut flower.
Height 5 to 6 ft.
- Mrs. Hogshal**—D., scarlet and yellow, a double-flowered "Geisha."
Height 3 to 4 ft.
- Mrs. Ida de Ver Warner**—D., huge American variety; colour strong mauve, fine large blooms borne on stiff, cane-like stems. Most floriferous and one of the largest decoratives. Height 5 to 6 ft.
- Mrs. K. Hammond**—D., a free-flowering decorative of fine form. The perfect blooms of a lovely shade of apricot suffused with salmon, with lemon centre, are borne on stiff, slender, erect stems. Very free. Height 3 to 4 ft.
- Mrs. Potter Palmer**—D., deep purple decorative of medium size, most floriferous. Stems straight, hard and tall. Excellent for cut flower.
Height 4 to 5 ft.
- Mrs. Wheeler Bennett**—D., one of the best English decoratives. The large perfect blooms of a rich golden yellow colour are held gracefully erect on long, hard, cane-like stems. Vigorous grower and free-bloomer. Height 5 to 6 ft.
- My Lady**—D., a beautiful dahlia of medium large size, the perfect blooms are borne on hard, slender stems, gracefully erect. Colour an unusual blending of salmon-pink, dove grey and amber tipped yellow; strong grower and very free blooming. Height 4 to 5 ft.
- Noble**—P., one of the most striking varieties in this class, the colour being an intensely brilliant scarlet overlaid vermillion, with a yellow eye. Flowers large, borne on rigid stems. This variety often develops a white tip.
Height 5 to 6 ft.
- Oranje Boven**—D., deep orange, large blooms on long, stiff stems, very free.
Height 3 to 4 ft.
- President Lincoln**—D., a decorative of medium size, the beautiful blooms of a distinct dark lilac colouring are borne on stiff, straight stems; plants strong-growing and free-flowering. Height 4 to 5 ft.
- Pride of California**—D., huge velvety-red blooms shaded maroon; fine form and free bloomer. One of the best reds. Height 5 ft.
- Prestige**—D., a grand English decorative, the medium-sized, full deep rounded blooms are borne on stiff, hard stems perfectly erect. Colour glowing deep orange with darker shading towards the centre of bloom.
Height 3 ft.
- Panorama**—D., deep burnt amber, strong stems, regular shape; very free flowering.
Height 3 to 4 ft.

President Wilson—D., brilliant vermilion scarlet, large bloom, strong stem; one of the best reds. Height 4 to 5 ft.

Prince of Wales—D., deep terracotta, perfectly formed blooms on long, elegant stems. Height 4 to 5 ft.

Princess Mary—D., brilliant pink shaded yellow, very showy flower; long, strong stems; excellent cut flower. Height 4 to 5 ft.

Porthos—D., a shade of violet, almost suggesting blue, large flower, wiry stems, very popular variety. Height 3 to 4 ft.

Protest—D., colour being very difficult to describe, being a self-salmon cerise, long stems, regular flower. Height 4 to 5 ft.

Queenie—D., golden-amber tipped salmon-red, large almost globular flower, erect stems. Height 3 to 4 ft.

Rayonante—D., the well formed large blooms are pure deep yellow; long, elegant stems, very free. Height 4 to 5 ft.

Rapallo—D., a medium-sized decorative of exceptional colouring, being tortoise-shell shades with each petal delicately edged with gold. The lovely blooms are borne on slender, wiry stems, perfectly erect. An excellent exhibition variety. Plants vigorous and free-flowering. Height 3 to 4 ft.

Realization—D., very distinct bright yellow on long, stiff stems, excellent form, large blooms with very wide petals. An excellent variety for cut flower as well as for garden decoration. Height 5 ft.

Rosella Amos—D., a distinct break in decoratives, the blooms being composed of reflexed ribbon-like petals, similar to a Japanese chrysanthemum, forming a bloom of great beauty of medium size and old gold in colour. Height 5 ft.

Rose Elegans—D., a lovely medium-sized decorative of a vivid rose colouring, the shapely blooms are borne on hard, stiff, straight stems. Plants vigorous, healthy and free-blooming. Excellent for cut flower. Height 4 to 5 ft.

Rose Tendre—D., a beautiful soft rose decorative of fine form, the exquisite blooms are borne on stiff, straight, elegant stems. Plants strong growers and most floriferous. Height 4 ft.

Salmonea—D., pure salmon-pink, long, wiry stems; a beautiful dahlia. Height 3 ft.

Soleil d'Octobre—P., bright yellow, irregular flower; wiry stems, very free. Height 4 to 5 ft.

Springtime—D., a rich creamy white bloom borne on a hard, rigid stem; a distinct and lovely variety; requires heavy disbudding for a long stem. Height 4 to 5 ft.

Sunset—D., beautiful burnt amber shading to orange, very large, with long stems; one of the best. Height 5 to 6 ft.

Tresor Anversois—D., exceptional colouring, being dark lilac or blue violet; blooms of large and perfect form, borne on stiff, straight and tall stems. One of the best decoratives. Height 4 to 5 ft.

Willkommen—D., a very striking and free flowering decorative; colour being scarlet overlaid carmine and shaded to yellow at base of petals. Blooms medium, and stems straight and rigid. Height 4 to 5 ft.

Yellow Perfection—D., one of the finest and best yellows. Blooms large, of perfect form and a clear yellow in colour; stems stiff as a cane; florets wide and pointed. Height 4 ft.

Zauberin—D., a dark golden-yellow decorative of medium size. The beautiful blooms are carried erectly on stems stiff, slender and tall. Excellent cut flower. Height 4 to 5 ft.

New and Recent Introductions of Cactus and Hybrid Cactus Dahlias.

C.—Cactus.

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Owing to the stock of some of the newest varieties being limited we are obliged to book orders for these **SUBJECT TO BEING UNSOLD.**

***AMBASSADOR**—C., one of the most beautiful American Cactus Dahlias ever raised, the exquisite blooms composed of daintily-pointed petals are very large, deep and full, and of a soft yellow buff colour at the centre, shaded to salmon-pink at the tips, borne on stems strong, straight and tall. Height 4 to 5 ft. **2/6**

Aurantiflora—H.C., a large shapely bloom with shadings of terra-cotta, salmon and bronze; held erectly on tall, slender stems; resembling a small "Insulinde". Height 4 to 5 ft. **2/6**

Baroness Sixma van Heemstra—H.C., huge bloom borne on a rigid stem, in shape a large broad-petalled cactus. Colour deep wine-red. An outstanding variety. Height 3 ft. **2/0**

Bagdad—H.C., a grand scarlet; large shapely bloom—sport of the popular variety "Kalif." Height 4 to 5 ft. **2/6**

Bourgoyne—H.C., a fine large free-flowering dahlia of a beautiful claret colour; blooms borne erectly on stiff stems. Height 4 to 5 ft. **2/6**

Buccaneer—C., a glorious rich crimson-scarlet cactus of the largest size, composed of numerous florets, broad at base and tapering to sharp points at the tips. Stems hard and stiff, carrying the superb bloom perfectly erect. Height 5 ft. *Green plants only.* **5/0**

Cinderella—H.C., a full deep bloom of a fawn pink colour shading to tan at centre, the exquisite blooms are carried erectly on hard, slender stems; very free. Height 4 to 5 ft. **2/6**

Dr. Helmuth Spath—C., an exquisite medium-sized cactus of a soft lilac colouring, borne on slender, erect stems. Height 4 to 5 feet. **2/0**

E. F. Hawes—C., a beautiful pure pale rose cactus; stems perfect; graceful bloom; fine cut flower. Height 4 to 5 ft. **1/6**

Furstin von Donnersmark—C., a free-flowering dahlia of a soft rose colouring; stems excellent. Height 4 to 5 ft. **2/0**

Giant Kriemhilde—H.C., a fine large hybrid-cactus of perfect shape; borne erectly on hard, strong stems. Colour pink, shading to pale yellow at base of petals; an outstanding variety. Height 4 to 5 ft. **2/6**

Gladys Sherwood—H.C., an exquisite bloom of large size and the whitest purity, composed of numerous broad, long and pointed petals borne on stiff, straight stems. A most satisfactory variety. Profuse bloomer. Height 4 to 5 ft. **2/0**

Golden Sonne—H.C., the shape of this exquisite dahlia resembles the world-famed "Andreas Hofer," being a soft, rich amber in colour. The shapely blooms are borne on wiry, tall and elegant stems. Height 4 to 5 ft. 2/0

J. K. Barlow—C., one of the largest and most beautiful cactus dahlias ever raised. The blooms of perfect form are composed of numerous narrow, incurved florets, forming a flower of great depth and intense loveliness, most exquisitely shaped, a bright orange lightening to a pale soft yellow at centre, and sometimes slightly suffused a rosy tint. Height 5 to 6 ft. 2/6

Jonkheer van Tets—H.C., this variety is one of the best pure whites in this section. The large flowers are borne on stiff stems and are absolutely perfect in form. Very free-flowering. Height 3 to 4 ft. 2/6

***JERSEY'S RADIANT**—H.C., beautiful flowers of a reddish deep orange colour; long, stiff stems. 5/0

Lilac Glory—C., one of the best cactus varieties; the exquisite large blooms are held erectly on stiff, slender stems; colour is a pleasing soft lilac rose. Height 4 to 5 ft. 2/6

***MARIPOSA**—H.C., a grand hybrid-cactus of large size; of a lilac-rose colouring. Stems excellent. The beautiful flower is carried erectly and composed of long, narrow incurved, twisted and curled florets. Height 4 to 5 ft. 2/6

Mary Segar—C., one of the most exquisite cactus dahlias in cultivation, being a soft, delicate shade of yellow in colour. The dainty, narrow, semi-incurved petals are very numerous, forming a flower of shaggy loveliness, borne on exceptionally erect, long, slender, wiry stems. Height 5 to 6 ft. 3/6

Miss Croess—H.C., a lovely true pink, loose, shapely bloom borne on strong stems; very free flowering. Height 3 to 4 ft. 2/0

Mrs. Fred Warner—C., one of the best of the latest English cactus varieties of semi-incurved form; colour, white at centre, suffusing to rose; Stems slender and erect. Height 4 ft. *Green plants only; 5/0*

Mrs. Ethel Smith—H.C., a grand new cactus of a pure creamy-white colour; blooms borne erectly on stiff, hard stems. Height 4 to 5 ft. 2/6

Miss Annie Gregg—C., the perfect blooms are composed of narrow, incurving florets which are of a dainty soft pink at the tips, deepening to lavender at the base; borne on slender, stiff stems. Height 3½ ft. 2/6

Puperkoning—H.C., one of the best purples in the hybrid cactus type, the large blooms are borne on hard, straight stems. Plants vigorous and free-flowering. The stems are perfect and the blooms are the largest hybrid cactus we have ever seen. Height 3 to 4 ft. 2/0

Saxon—C., a lovely medium-sized full cactus, borne erectly on stiff, hard stems; of a clear yellow colour at centre, suffusing to orange at tips. Profuse bloomer and sturdy grower. Height 4 ft. 5/0

Thomas Want—C., one of the most beautiful cactus dahlias yet introduced, the large graceful incurved blooms are borne erectly on stiff, rigid stems; colour, a delicate clear yellow at centre, gradually suffusing to a soft rosy pink. Large and very free. Height 4 ft. 5/0

Trophy—C., an exquisite cactus composed of numerous narrow incurved petals borne on stiff, slender stems. Colour crimson tinged with rose. Height 4½ ft. 2/6

General List of Cactus and Hybrid Cactus Dahlias.

18/- per dozen. OUR SELECTION 15/- per dozen.

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Andreas Hofer—H.C., pale yellow centre shading to bright salmon-pink tips; erect stems, very free blooming. Height 3½ ft.

Clothilde—H.C., blooms pure yellow, perfectly shaped; florets numerous and twisted; stems long and strong. Very free flowering. Height 4 ft.

Doreen Woolman—C., a lovely cactus, excellent for cut-flower. The perfect blooms of medium size are borne erectly on tall, stiff stems. Colour, white, shading to rosy pink. Height 4 ft.

Edgar Jackson—C., a beautiful incurved coral-coloured cactus borne on long rigid stems well above the foliage. Height 4 to 5 ft.

Edith Page—C., colour primrose at base, shading to orange, but overlaid a rosy tint. The flowers are most effective arranged in vases. Height 4 ft.

Edith Carter—C., a real beauty; perfect blooms of medium size, borne on stiff, erect, slender stems; petals narrow and straight, forming a flower deep and full to the centre; colour yellow tipped cerise. Height 4 to 5 ft.

F. W. Fellows—C., reddish-orange, large size and splendid form; very wiry stems. Height 5 to 6 ft.

F. K. Van Heerde—H.C., salmon-rose colouring, yellow suffused. The narrow incurved petals are numerous and twisted, forming a bloom of great beauty. Height 4 to 5 ft.

Frederick Wenham—C., a beautiful large cactus held erectly on stiff, cane-like stems. The perfect blooms are salmon at centre suffusing to a rich fawn-pink. Height 5 ft.

Harry Strutt—C., blooms incurved, with narrow petals. Plants are very free-flowering and the stems are all that can be desired. Colour deep crimson scarlet. Height 4 to 5 ft.

Henry B. May—H.C., yellow at centre, tipped white, older florets shaded pink; blooms borne on erect, strong stems. Height 5 to 6 ft.

Isis—H.C., this brilliant dahlia has been aptly described as a scarlet "Jonkheer Van Tets," habit and shape being identical. Height 3½ to 4 ft.

Jack Hobbs—H.C., one of the best white hybrid cactus varieties. The petals are numerous, twisted and twirled, forming a flower of exceptional depth, beauty and perfect form. Colour a true deep cream at centre, shaded to pure white at tips. Height 5 ft.

J. Emberson—C., a large flower on a long strong stem. Colour a blending of deep to light pink, overlying yellow. Stems straight and hard. Florets narrow and incurved. Height 5 ft.

John J. Thorpe—C., a fancy cactus of the largest size. Colour yellow, striped and speckled red. The stems are long, erect and very hard. A striking flower. Height 4 to 5 ft.

La Lorraine—C., a grand cactus of a rich golden-bronzy-yellow colouring, bearing its perfectly formed, large, deep, and full blooms on hard, long and elegant stems.

Mary Murray—C., medium flowers borne on straight, hard, wiry stems. Narrow florets, slightly incurved. Colour a bronzy shade of orange scarlet, an outstanding cactus. Height 4 to 5 ft.

Margaret—C., a grand pure white cactus borne on stiff, hard stems. Requires very little disbudding. Height 4 to 5 ft.

Mev. Jules Spanjaard—H.C., pale amber suffused deep gold, of perfect shape and very large and free flowering. Good stems. Height 4 to 5 ft.

Mammoth—C., a giant cactus aptly named, of a purplish-crimson colour, tipped a lighter shade. Very free flowering with good stems. Height 5 to 6 ft.

Nagels Favourite—C., a medium-sized cactus of great beauty; the perfect blooms are held erectly on stiff, rod-like stems. A gem in this class. Colour, an exquisite bright rose.

Nagels Roem—H.C., an exquisite flower of large size and perfect shape, the exceptionally long petals are twisted and curled, forming a loose, shaggy bloom of great beauty. Colour a coppery-yellow, slightly suffused salmon-pink. Height 4 to 5 ft.

Mr. Warnaar—C., a bright red dahlia shaded yellow at base; excellent cut flower. Height 5 to 6 ft.

Octopus—C., the numerous narrow incurved petals of this exquisite cactus form a flower of tangled, shaggy loveliness. Colour, orange at base, shading to yellow at tips. Stems good; plants most floriferous. Height 4½ ft.

Princess Louise—H.C., a very beautiful variety with pointed florets; free flowering; colour white at centre, deepening to a pretty tint of pink on tips of petals. Stems rigid. Height 4 to 5 ft.

Picotee—C., erect stems; colour deep bronzy yellow, each delicate petal being distinctly edged its full length with crimson. Plants tall, vigorous, free and early blooming. Height 5 to 6 ft.

Pink Favourite—H.C., the loose, artistically twisted petals form a bloom of perfect shape borne on a stiff, wiry, slender stem. A gem of medium size. Colour soft, rosy pink passing to white towards centre. Height 4 to 5 ft.

Romeo—C., a large, deep cactus of unusual colouring, being yellow at base tinting to red, the whole spotted and splashed with crimson. Stems perfect, carrying the huge blooms proudly erect. Plants dwarf. Height 3 to 4 ft.

Rosalinde—C., an exquisite lilac-rose cactus (with white centre) borne erectly on stiff, hard stems. Plants robust and free blooming. Height 4 ft.

Rev. John Robinson—H.C., one of the most beautiful hybrid-cactus varieties amongst recent introductions; the perfect deep and shaggy blooms composed of numerous twirled and twisted florets are of a dark lilac colouring borne on stiff, straight, slender stems. Height 4 to 5 ft.

Souvenir de Madame Louis Block—C., a conspicuous brilliant cactus of brick red and deep yellow colouring. The perfect blooms are carried erectly on wire-like stems. Height 4 ft.

Torchlight—C., colour ruddy bronze, suffusing to yellow at centre. The large blooms are composed of numerous narrow, incurved petals, held erectly on strong wiry stems. Height 5 ft.

W. Von Goethe—C., a lovely cactus of apricot-orange colouring; stems hard and slender. Very floriferous. Height 4 to 5 ft.

White Queen—H.C., a beautiful hybrid-cactus of the purest white, the perfect blooms are borne on stiff, wiry stems. Height 4 ft.

Miniature Pæony-Flowered and Decorative Dahlias.

18/- per dozen. OUR SELECTION 15/- per dozen.

M.D.—Miniature Decorative.

- Aureole**—M.D., a large miniature; full flower; straight wiry stems. Colour bright amber. Height 2½ ft.
- Beacon**—M.P., a brilliant scarlet pæony resembling a poinsettia bloom; stems tall and slender; very free-flowering. Height 3 ft.
- Chic**—M.P., an exquisite little bloom of a yellow bronze colouring with a chestnut centre; stems slender and stiff. Height 2 ft.,
- Glow**—M.D., exquisite little bloom, colour vermillion, tipped and shaded white. Blooms last well when cut. Plants dwarf. Stems stiff. Height 2½ ft.
- Charmer**—M.D., rich orange-chestnut with orange-salmon overlying a rosy ground colour towards the tips. Dwarf grower. Height 2 ft.
- Charlotte**—M.D., a little beauty of a golden-orange colouring borne erectly on slender, hard stems. Height 2 ft.
- Brentwood Star**—a true star dahlia, bearing its perfect blooms of an exquisite pink colouring on wiry, slender stems. Height 4 ft.
- Conspicua**—M.P., a brilliant dahlia aptly named; the lovely blooms are of bright cerise colouring with cream at centre; perfect stems. Height 3 ft.
- Caliph**—M.P., a little gem, colour rosy crimson on yellow base; straight wiry stems. Height 3 ft.
- Cathe**—M.P., an exquisite bloom carried on a long slender stem. Colour cream, edged and suffused pink, petals long and incurved. Height 3 ft.
- Dawn**—M.P., a popular variety, the lovely blooms are of a yellow bronze colouring with a bright scarlet centre. Stems rigid. Height 3 ft.

M.P.—Miniature Pæony-flowered.

- Dazzle**—M.P., free flowering with excellent stems; colour, the brightest geranium-scarlet; colour stands the sun well. One of the brightest dahlias ever raised. Plants dwarf in habit; stems straight, stiff, and wiry. Height 2½ ft.
- Elegance**—M.P., a little beauty, the dainty blooms are composed of florets flat and pointed. Colour soft silver rose, white tipped; stems excellent. Height 3 ft.
- Flame**—M.P., a rather large bloom of a pure orange flame colouring. Stems erect. Height 3½ ft.
- Fairy**—M.P., an exquisite variety, the lovely blooms are a fawn suffused with pink, with each dainty petal tipped white. Stems slender and straight. Height 3 ft.
- Garden Love**—M.D., a fairly large bloom for a miniature of a beautiful salmon-rose colouring. Stems perfect. Height 3 ft.
- Glow**—M.D., a gorgeous fiery red variety borne on hard, stiff, slender stems. Height 3 ft.
- Good Luck**—M.D., a glorious medium-large bloom of exquisite colouring, being a gold with a darker suffusion, the perfect blooms are borne erectly on slender, stiff stems.
- Gladys Unwin**—M.P., a lovely bloom of a soft tone of pink, base of petals lemon, while the whole is flaked orange chestnut. Stems rigid. Height 3 ft.
- Gracie**—Pom-Cactus, a little gem; the lovely flower is of a yellow colour tipped with pale pink; stems wiry and perfect. Height 2½ ft.

Helen—M.P., a little gem, producing its lovely pink blooms on long, slender, erect stems; very free flowering.

Height 2½ ft.

Hermia—M.P., an attractive bloom of unique colouring, being a stone buff, flushed violet, with chestnut zone base. Erect, stiff stems; very free-blooming. Height 3 ft.

Irma—M.P., a delightfully graceful bloom, excellent for cutting, of a soft satin rose colouring lightly flamed orange chestnut at base of florets; stems erect and tall. Height 3½ ft.

Little Jewel—M.D., silvery-pink flowers, dwarf grower, very free blooming, small blooms excellent for cut flowers. Height 3 ft.

Lovely—M.P., an exquisite bloom well-named. Colour glowing bright shade of rose pink. Stems perfect. Blooms have a distinct small yellow centre. Height 3½ ft.

Lilian C. Page—M.P., one of the best varieties belonging to this class. Colour rich amber with dark centre. Stems rigid and tall. Height 3½ ft.

Marmot—M.D., 1928 Novelty and one of the most distinctive varieties; the beautiful blooms are composed of curly, reflexed and propeller-shaped petals, and are borne erectly on tall, wiry stems. Colour difficult to describe, as the ground of deep rose has a definite overlying tint which is its beauty. Height 3 ft. Price 2/6

Mrs. Von Wart—M.P., a lovely variety of erect habit, blooms borne well above the foliage. Colour a bright rosy-pink shading to blackish crimson at the base, tall, wiry stems. Very striking. Height 3 ft.

Moorkop—M.D., a gorgeous dark red miniature borne on stiff, erect stems. Height 2 ft.

Nigra—M.D., colour of this unique variety is a purplish crimson, erect stems, which with the foliage are a dark, almost black shade. Height 2½ ft.

Prince Carnival—M.D., an unusual colouring, being a violet red, tipped white. Stems excellent. Height 2½ ft.

Peace—Pom-Cactus, a lovely white variety, very free flowering on wiry stems. 3 ft.

Ophelia—M.P., one of the latest and best varieties belonging to this class. The perfect, dainty blooms are borne in

profusion on stiff, slender stems. Colour yellow base suffused salmon, shading to rose at tips of petals.

Height 3 ft.

Roschen—M.D., a most free-flowering miniature of a vivid rose colouring borne on stiff, erect stems. Height 2 ft.

Snowball—M.D., an exquisite pure white, the dainty blooms are held erectly on slender perfect stems. Height 2 ft.

Snowbird—Pom-Cactus, a little beauty; blooms of the whitest purity, plants most free blooming; stems stiff and erect, Height 3 ft.

Radium—M.P., a conspicuous and striking variety, being a brilliant crimson scarlet. The beautiful blooms are produced in profusion, held erectly on stiff stems.

Height 3 ft.

Ruby Head—Pom-Cactus, a dainty soft yellow bloom white-tipped, held erectly on long, stiff, elegant stems, quite distinct. Height 3 ft.

Sonne im Herzen—M.P., one of the most outstanding of all the miniatures. The exquisite blooms are borne gracefully erect on slender, wiry stems. Colour a vivid orange with yellow base. Excellent cut flower. 2 ft.

Teeny—M.D., another of the outstanding 1928 Novelties. The small, perfect blooms are composed of two rows of petals and carried erectly on stiff stems. Colour soft tints of carmine-pink to white at tips. Price 2/6

Tomtit—Pom-Cactus, a lovely star-like little bloom of a mauvy-pink colouring held erectly on stiff, slender stems. Height 3 ft.

Tangerine—M.P., the dainty, perfect little blooms of a light orange colouring with a brilliant scarlet centre, are borne on wiry, long stems. Height 3 ft.

Yellow Boy—M.P., a beautiful variety well-named; very free-flowering; stems perfect. The best yellow in this class. Height 3 ft.

Troubadour—M.D., large blooms for a miniature, of a crimson rose colouring, most free-flowering. Stems perfect. Height 2 ft.

Double Pompon or Bouquet Dahlias.

10/- per dozen.

The modern pompon is one of the most useful classes of dahlias; the exquisite little blooms which are borne on slender, wiry, long stems are the acme of beauty and grace as a cut flower for table and house decoration, and are unequalled for use in bouquet work. They are unsurpassed for brilliancy of effect where massed in colours in beds or borders. Height 2½ to 3 ft.

Anna Van Schwerin—an exquisite rose; small flower.

Adelaide—Blush, lavender-edged.

Adrienne—crimson scarlet, slightly yellow tipped.

Apoldro—semi-double dwarf growing, resembling a Zinnia; colour deep Turban red with golden stamens.

Bacchus—bright crimson scarlet.

Barbara Purvis—pure snow white.

Burgunder—claret, fine form.

Cardinal—vivid, fiery red.

Catharina—dark yellow.

Chamols Rose—champagne coloured.

Corry—exquisite violet.

Cyril—a scarlet of fine form.

Dewdrop—white lavender edged and tipped.

Diplomat—large bloom, darkish brown-red.

Dr. Hirschbrunn—an exquisite flesh colour.

Doris—a distinct cream.

Emily Hopper—Grand yellow, best in this colour.

Fashion—glowing yellow orange.

Fireking—glowing scarlet.

G. Brinkman—Pure white, one of the best.

George Ireland—a lovely small bloom of a pretty mauve.

Glow—large bloom, orange red.

Goldhahnchen—sulphur-yellow.

Grafen Carl Moltke—novelty, large bloom, rosy red, bordered yellow.

Gretchen Heine—crimson and white.

Girlie—lovely bloom of a pinkish mauve.

Guiding Star—one of the best, the beautiful little blooms are composed of quilled petals.

Hubert—unique dark brown.

Ideal—a little beauty, exquisite pure yellow.

Janet—a lovely salmon.

Jhr. Van Cittert—yellow with orange tips.

Jewel—rich yellow.

Kokarde—beautiful golden orange.

Lilian—primrose edged peach.

Little Donald—glowing crimson scarlet.

Mars—a glorious clear orange scarlet.

Meadow Saffron—delicate white edged lilac.

Mildred—a lovely shade of pink.

Neatness—pale salmon with cream centre.

Nellie Broomhead—a beautiful mauve with lighter ground.

Nerissa—new and distinct, being a soft pink, silver tinted.

Phoebe—Deep golden orange.

Pure Love—a lovely lilac.

Queen of Whites—best of the pure whites.

Red Aster—flaming red, very fine.

Rosa—exquisite blush lilac.

Rosebud—a lovely variety, aptly named, white ground, edged rosy pink.

Sunny Daybreak—a little beauty. An exquisite tinting of pale apricot, edged prettily with rosy red.

Stolze Von Berlin—large bloom, rose coloured.

Sunset—a rich orange.

Titan—a grand variety, fiery red colouring.

Ulick—a clear white, delicately tipped and shaded with pale lavender.

Wee Gracie—white with faint lavender edging.

White Aster—a lovely snow white.

“Coltness Gem” for Bedding Purposes.

This class of bedding dahlia is largely used in Europe for massing effects. The colour is a glowing scarlet, and numerous single blooms are borne at the same time by the small plants, making brilliant splashes of colour wherever planted. The seed pods must never be allowed to form or blooming will soon cease.

7/6 per dozen.

Avondrood—a glowing bright orange.

Betsy—brick red.

Coltness Gem. Scarlet, free-flowering.

Goudbont—orange with a golden-yellow glow.

Dazzler—bright brilliant orange-scarlet.

L'Innocence—pure white.

Maasland—dark red.

Morgenlicht—fine soft yellow.

Oranjetelg—brilliant orange.

Paisley Gem—orange-scarlet, semi-double; one of the best.
10/0 per doz.

Pink Coltness—the rose “Coltness Gem” variety.

Prins Hendrik—exquisite rose.

Prins Van Oranje—bright red.

Roodkapje—pure red.

Our Dahlias are known and Grown throughout South Africa.

Testimonials

A few genuine extracts from letters received during the past season.

Dear Sirs,—I thank you for the dahlia plants received by yesterday's post, they arrived in excellent condition.

I must thank you for replacing the tubers I was unsuccessful with last year, they are all growing.—*C. H. R., Tulbagh, 10/12/28.*

Dear Sirs,—I feel I should like to tell you how pleased I am with the dahlias you sent me—they are lovely—a few are still to bloom. Out of the 45 tubers you sent me only four rotted.—*Mrs. O. H. V., Rosmead, P.O. Roosspruit, 4/1/28.*

Dear Sirs,—Thank you for the box of plants which arrived last Saturday. We have now proved that, with your excellent packing, green plants will travel anywhere in South Africa. I think you may now, with safety, forward the plants still on order.—*Mrs. W. J. Van Z., Matabelle, East Griqualand, 3/10/28.*

Dear Sirs, — Please accept my thanks for the excellent packing, in which you sent me the tubers. I think they were charmingly packed. Mine are all up except one, which I expect to be up soon. Thanking you once more.—*Mrs. E. H. O., Olocolan, O.V.S., 3/12/28.*

Dear Sirs, — The green plants arrived in splendid condition Green plants, like these, are worth having I have had some wonderful blooms from "Sheila Ward" and "Daily Mirror", the others are just beginning to flower (planted from tubers).—*Mrs. R. L., Graaff-Reinet, C.P.*

Dear Sirs,—Thank you for your card, saying you will replace my losses next year. I think this is most generous of you, as the plants arrived beautifully packed, and after that it should be the grower's luck or misfortune.—*H. V. de P., Lomagundi, S. Rhodesia, 17/3/29.*

Dear Sirs,—Your dahlias have been greatly admired this year, and I have had numerous enquires as to where I got my tubers, so you should get some new clients next year. At last "Emma Groote" has bloomed and is a wonderful flower for colour, size and shape. The green plants travelled well, and arrived in good condition, and are growing well; I hope to be able to put a few blooms into the Durban Show in March.—*A. W. M., Durban, Natal.*

Dear Sirs,—I received the dahlia plants; thanks very much for same, they were beautifully packed.—*Mrs. G. J. R., P.O. Bloemfontein, O.V.S., 6/12/28.*

Dear Sirs,—The Dahlia plants arrived in good condition and are growing nicely.—*Mrs. A. F. C., Bedford, Cape, 4/1/29.*

Dear Sirs, — Thanks for your post-card of the 7th inst. advising despatch of dahlia and Iris plants.

The dahlias arrived in excellent condition with the exception of one, which did not survive the double journey (train and post-cart). The Iris plants arrived a few days later than the dahlias, in splendid condition.

Of the tubers now in bloom, "Jersey's Beacon", "Red Emperor", "Thomas Hay" and "Rosa Nell" are simply glorious. — *F. F. Van H., Andley, O.V.S., 17/1/29.*

Dear Sirs, — Just a few lines to tell you that the dahlias I bought from you are now mostly in bloom, and affording me very great pleasure; they are lovely. I am very pleased with all of them, but particularly "Charm", "Gladys Sherwood" and "Nagels Roem" which are very fine, and have been much admired.—*Mrs. H. F. G., Olocolan, O.V.S., 6/3/29.*

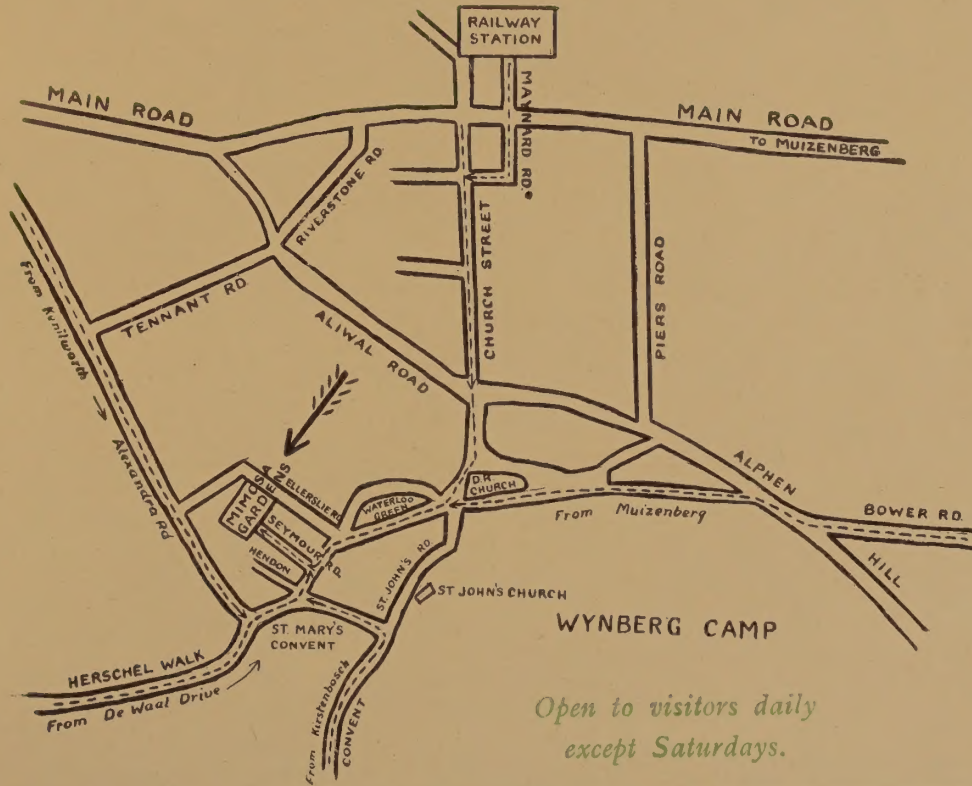
Extract from "THE CAPE ARGUS", April 9th, 1929:—

"DAHLIA DISPLAY AT WYNBERG — 20,000 BLOOMS: A RIOT OF GORGEOUS COLOURING.

"Thousands of flower-faces amid fresh green foliage, glowing in a hundred shades of red and mauve, gold and orange, with many a subtle combination of colour that defies description! This is what I saw as I stood on a little eminence at the far end and looked over Mrs. ROBERT ELFFERS' **Dahlia Gardens at "Mimosa" Wynberg.** How many blooms smiled up at me from that great expanse I do not know, but 20,000 would be a modest estimate, for there are 5,500 plants, nearly all of them in flower, and most can boast of several blooms. Their size and gorgeous blooms is bewildering—something that has to be seen to be believed, and long after the gardens have been left behind the memory of their charm and brightness remains.

"The dahlias differ as much in size as they do in colour, from the smaller varieties, measuring from two inches across, to the giants of 13 inches. When Princess Alice visited the gardens recently and expressed her appreciation of their beauty, she was presented with an *Elite Glory* which had a diameter of 14 inches. The particular variety is of a brilliant crimson and stands regally erect on hard, cane-like stems"

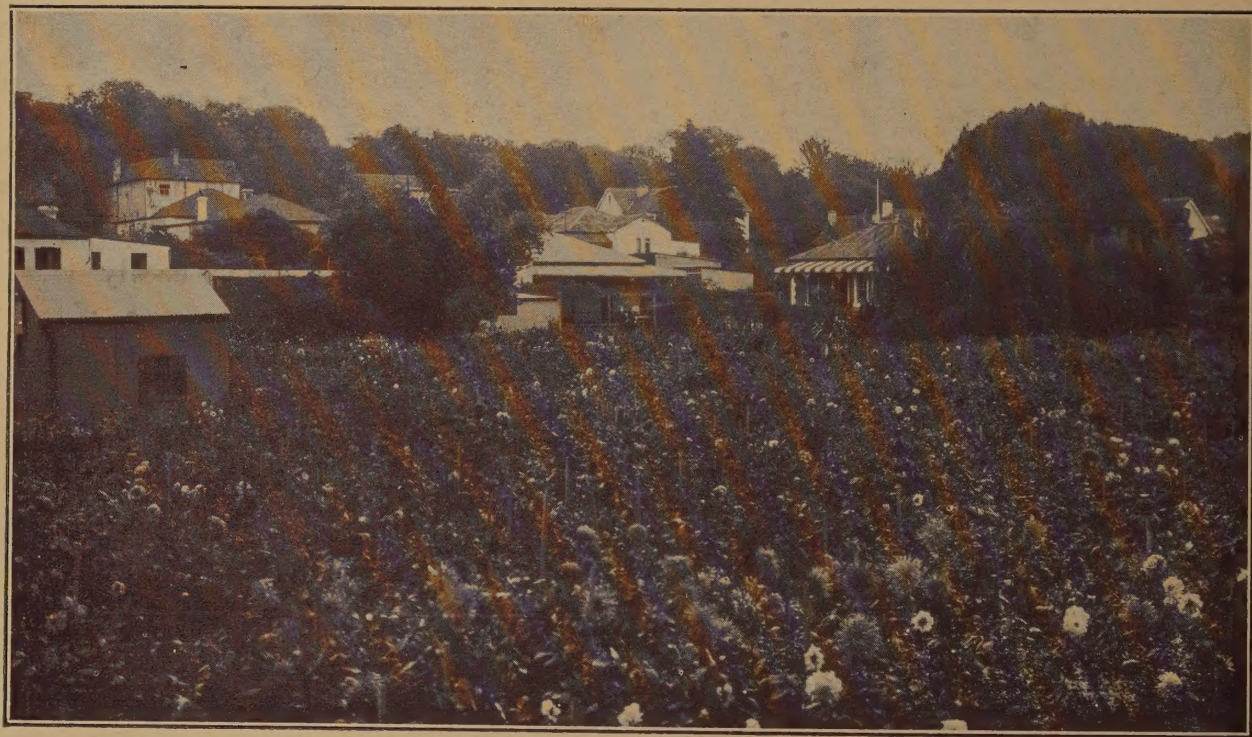
Plan of Wynberg roads leading to **MIMOSA DAHLIA GARDENS**



*Open to visitors daily
except Saturdays.*

As our Gardens seem a little difficult to find we have printed this plan to enable visitors to find them more easily. It will be seen from the plan that the gardens are just off Waterloo Green through which passes the continuation of De Waal Drive to Muizenberg. They are very easily found from the Wynberg Railway Station or from the Trams and Buses on the Main Road.

A riot of colour and a profusion of bloom!



A view of part of our gardens in April.